Student Group Discussion

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May 5

2 girls from group 6 lift their hands in the air but the lead teacher does not notice them and start talking to a group.

Most students talk about their topic to others in their respective group.

All groups discuss quietly among themselves.

May 9

Group 3 boy asks teacher a question on about camcorder.

The boy continues to ask the teacher if he can take the camera home. “Who is gonna use it? Is it in the bag? You have to promise me you will take the excellent care,” she lectures about the equipment.  
“This is big for me. You have to take excellent care of it.  You are my guinea pig.  If you drop it in the pond, or lose it.  I will never let anyone take it home again.  You are gonna be the standard that I use from here on out.  Can you handle that responsibility?” He agrees.  “See me at the end of the day,” she says.

Teacher explains that they need an email for Prezi.com so now, you want to take it.

Group 3 boy says, “Are we gonna do a Prezi or what are we gonna do?”

May 12 4

Students start to talk to each other.

The intervention specialist asks what students are doing...waiting  
Boy says he is waiting. The intervention specialist says he waiting for the sun to go down. Boy says that the group has changed managers because one girl wanted to change.

Sweet girl says that they wanted to do recycling.  There is disagreement about what the problem is. 

.  They decide to solve the problem by composting.

She starts to talk but them stops and looks annoyed.  She then tells the students how another school solves the problem.  Skinny boy looks away.  Sweet girl is on computer.  Orange boy is looking at manager.  Manager and orange boy argue.

Group 2 boy and two girls are looking at pictures on computer.

Group 1 manager is still explaining.  The students are starting to listen more intently.  Orange boy makes a few comments that add to the discussion  They discuss where to put the dirt.

Manager asks orange boy a question.  He says it is still on the camera, and gets up

Manager says she has two more questions for that one girl.  Orange boy says, “Do you want to go?”

Orange boy says let's put the names on the paper.

She thanks the Intervention Specialist as she leaves. Orange boy puts name on paper and tells nirvana to you can put your name on it. Manager tells orange boy if he didn't do something she will kill him.  He says I know we will have to do it all over again.

May 12 5

Active boy is in front of computer working intently. Long hair leader girl stands behind him.  Short hair girl sits next to him.  He talks to Old Navy boy and Old Navy boy begins to look at computer screen and talks back.   Blondie boy site between Old Navy and active boy. Leader girl leans over to type something on the computer between girl and boy.

Tall boy says, “Put the camera up.  We don't need the camera”.  Visual boy sits down next to the tall boy; he gets up and then sits next to the girls, but has no access to the computer in the way that he in positioned.  He looks around.

Tall boy says, “Put the camera up. You are wasting the battery.”

Visual boy says, “It is my job.”

Tall boy goes to sit behind the purple girl and comments on the slides she is working on.

.” Tall boy tells the girls that they need to spell check.

Visual boy asks tall boy a question.  Tall boy answers by saying they are done.  “Why do they need to work on it if it is done?”

Group 4 leader girl took over the computer and short brown girl sat next to her.  They looked at the screen and she typed.  The three other boys sat next to each other and talked for 7 minutes.

May12 6

Sweet girl says, “Yes, let's do a PowerPoint.”   Nirvana says, “Let’s do a PSA.”  He repeats it.

The orange boy says, “Now what?”

“We are working on our PowerPoint,” the manager girl says.

Are we doing a PowerPoint?”  Nirvana says.  “We should do a Prezi.”

Manager says, “We are doing a PowerPoint.  The orange boy turns the computer around and shows the sweet girl and Nirvana the PowerPoint slide.  The sweet girl types on the computer.  Orange boy says strongly, “Let me see it.”

Manager says, “Next week we are working on the PowerPoint.”

The sweet girl seems upset and turns the computer around.  She says, “What are you doing?”

He says, “Changing something.”

She says, “It doesn’t need to be changed.” The manager says, “We can all take turns working on our slide.”

Group 4 has two girls working on the computer on Google.

Another girl is across from them with no task.  The boy in the group talks to the girl.

Orange boy still has computer and says, “What is our group name?”

Manager says, ‘We are just now working on that.”  Sweet girl and Nirvana look at flip cam.  Manager says, “Spell your name or I am putting it down.”  Sweet girl spells her name.  Manager reads the title and group member names

The intervention specialist says to teacher, who is sitting at her desk,” have you had any luck with videos?”

The teacher says, “This is the first time we have done it.  They are not having any luck with sound.”

The intervention specialist says, “Okay. I will play around with it.”  She helps the girl with finding and saving it.  “Oh, there it is!” She says.

Girl says, “Taylor, Bob, do you want to work on this?”  Girl comes over and takes over the computer.  The manager goes up to microscope area.

Group 6 boys come and ask her what else she wants them to do.  She asks if the video is their entire project. He says no.  She says, “Well then, talk to the group about what you are doing.”

He says, “They will probably put it in something else.”  She says to save it on her flash drive.

May 19 5

Nathan is moving the slides.  The slide goes too early and the speaker says, "Stop it. 

Big tall guy asks if Nathan can move it up.  He says no.

He leans over to read it.  The display is too big for the screen.

They end with credits and pictures of themselves which makes them all smile.  He tells what each person has done for the project.  The class claps.

The group sits down and they comment to each other, critiquing of one part of the presentation.

The group sits back down and the computer boy opens the computer.  He looks at their Powerpoint presumably and makes some changes, he talks with the boy and says should change this...in thought this would make...inaudible

Ryan is your group ready.  Do I have you pr rubric.  One group members asks another if she does.  He says yes.

The visual boy begins to read the slides.  The first slide is the group members.

I think that went pretty well.  Why were you girls embarrassed all undid was standup there.  I think that was a pretty cool slide show.  I even added sound.

If we didn't say jobs then our slideshow wouldn't be cool.

May 19 6

The group says out backpack is gone.  They find it.  Out stuff is in their backpack.  The group all goes and gathered around the projector cart.

Group 1 talks about their presentation and the nirvana says, you are gonna read it?  He says he will read something.  They are holding papers and trying to manage who will read what.  Group 1 orange boy says, “I got no pictures.”